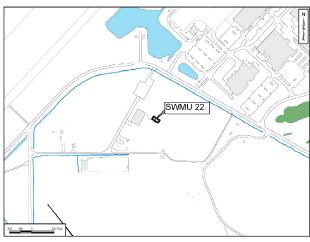


#### STATEMENT OF BASIS

Solid Waste Management Unit 22 Naval Station Mayport Jacksonville, Florida



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Facility/Unit Type: Naval Station

Contaminants: Soil - None; Groundwater - Ammonia, iron, and manganese

Media: Soil and Groundwater

Corrective Action: Soil – No Action; Groundwater – Land Use Controls and Monitored Natural Attenuation

#### **SUMMARY**

The proposed corrective action at Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 22 at Naval Station (NAVSTA) Mayport is No Action for soils, and Land Use Controls (LUCs) and Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) for groundwater. SWMU 22 has been impacted by media blast cleaning and painting of ground support equipment and vehicles in an area northeast of Building 1600. The SWMU is located within a fenced-in area and consists of a prefabricated metal building on a concrete pad. The groundwater for SWMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 22 was assessed collectively during the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation (RFI) because of the common geographic location, common drainage to Sherman Creek watershed, similarity of past waste disposal activities, and the potential for similar or related corrective actions. The contaminants of concern (COCs) in groundwater at the SWMUs are ammonia, iron, and manganese.

LUCs for groundwater will prohibit groundwater use/ extraction and will also prohibit any interference with groundwater monitoring systems at SWMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 22. The imposition of LUCs would serve to protect human health by prohibiting the use of groundwater until contaminant concentrations allow unrestricted use and unlimited exposure. Additionally, sampling and analysis of site wells and downgradient wells will be implemented to assess COC attenuation in groundwater. Annual site inspections will be conducted by NAVSTA Mayport personnel to verify the LUCs are being maintained. No COCs were identified for soil, sediment, or surface water.

The public is invited to comment on this proposed corrective action or any other corrective measure alternative including those not previously studied. Information on how the public may participate in this decision-making process is provided in the Public Participation section of this document.

#### INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to RCRA, as amended by the 1984 Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA), the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) issued the renewed HSWA permit to NAVSTA Mayport on August 17, 2009.

This **Statement of Basis** (SB) identifies the proposed corrective action for SWMU 22, explains why the selected corrective action was chosen, solicits public

review and comment on this decision, and provides information as to how the public can be involved in the corrective action selection process. Additional details regarding the facility, environmental investigations, and the evaluation of the **corrective measure** alternatives may be found in the RFI and the **Corrective Measurements Study** (CMS). These documents are kept as part of the Administrative Record at the **Information Repository**. Refer to the Public Participation section of this document for their location. A glossary, which defines some of the technical terms contained herein, is included at the end of this document.

The corrective measures reflected in this SB are those proposed by the United States Navy and FDEP for implementation at SWMU 22. Changes to the proposed corrective measure or a change from the proposed corrective action to another appropriate solution will require public participation as described in this document.

#### PROPOSED CORRECTIVE ACTION

The proposed corrective action at SWMU 22 at NAVSTA Mayport is No Action for soils. The proposed corrective measure for groundwater is LUCs and MNA. LUCs for groundwater will prohibit groundwater use/extraction and will also prohibit any interference with groundwater monitoring systems at SWMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 22. The imposition of LUCs would serve to protect human health by prohibiting the use of the groundwater until contaminant concentrations allow unrestricted use and unlimited exposure. Additionally, sampling and analysis of site wells and downgradient wells will be implemented to assess COC attenuation in groundwater. The total present worth cost of the proposed groundwater corrective measure is \$446,000, which includes capital costs and monitoring costs over a 30-year period.

As required by NAVSTA Mayport's RCRA permit, the Navy will develop a Corrective Measures Implementation Plan (CMIP) for this SWMU, with FDEP concurrence, following selection of the final corrective measure. The CMIP will specify procedures for the future long-term oversight and maintenance of the LUCs to be imposed for groundwater in the area of SWMU 22. The facility will ensure that these or similar instructions, processes, and requirements are complied with for all activities at SWMU 22 under the NAVSTA Mayport site approval process and/or the excavation permit process. NAVSTA Mayport will also conduct periodic inspections to confirm that the LUCs are complied with and report the results of those inspections to the FDEP. All processes, site inspections, and reporting activities will be conducted pursuant to specific requirements to be set forth in an approved CMIP for the site. The proposed LUC corrective action at SWMU 22 will ensure future protection of human health and the environment.

#### **FACILITY BACKGROUND**

NAVSTA Mayport is located near the town of Mayport within the city limits of Jacksonville, Florida, in northeastern Duval County on the southern shore of the confluence of the St. Johns River and the Atlantic Ocean (see Figure 1). SWMU 22, the Building 1600 Blasting Area, is located in the southwestern portion of NAVSTA Mayport (see Figure 2). The site is located northeast of Building 1600.

Figure 1. Naval Station Mayport Location Map

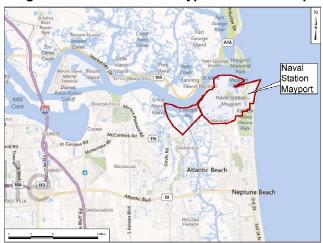
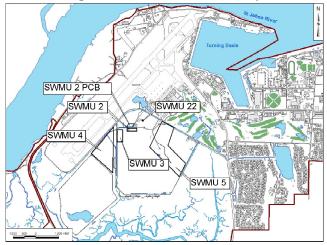


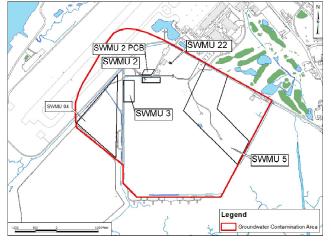
Figure 2. SWMU Location Map



SWMU 22 (Building 1600 Blasting Area) was operated from 1985 to 1992. An abrasive blasting media was used for cleaning ground support equipment and vehicles that were painted with yellow enamel paint and zinc-containing primers. Abrasive blasting was conducted within the sheet metal building on a concrete pad. A dust collector attached to the back of the building accumulated dust and abrasive media generated during blasting operations.

The investigation at SWMU 22 was conducted by ABB Environmental Services, Inc. between 1992 and 1994 as part of the Group I field investigation activities. Field activities consisted of the collection of surface and subsurface soil samples, the installation of monitoring wells, and the collection of groundwater samples. During the RFI, five surface soil samples and five subsurface soil samples were collected and analyzed for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), semivolatile organic compounds (SVOCs), inorganics, and pesticides. In 2007, five subsurface soil samples were analyzed for arsenic only. At SMWU 22, there were no contaminants in surface or subsurface soil borings that exceeded either the FDEP Soil Cleanup Target Levels and NAVSTA Mayport Background Screening Values (BSVs). Initial groundwater samples, taken in 1992 and 1994, were analyzed for VOCs, SVOCs, inorganics, and pesticides/miscellaneous parameters. Long-term monitoring (LTM) groundwater samples were collected in 2010 and 2011 and were analyzed for inorganics and miscellaneous parameters. Groundwater sample results from the LTM sampling were compared to the FDEP Groundwater Cleanup Target Levels (GCTLs) and the NAVSTA Mayport BSVs. Ammonia, chloride, iron, manganese, sodium, and sulfate exceeded GCTLs in 11 wells. Because the groundwater in the area of SWMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 22 is hydraulically connected with tidally influenced surface waters and the ammonia, chloride, sodium, and sulfate levels are consistent with marine waters, the FDEP accepted removing chloride, sodium, and sulfate as COCs in 2012. Figure 3 indicates the area of groundwater contamination.

Figure 3. Groundwater Contamination Area



#### SUMMARY OF FACILITY RISKS

A Human Health Baseline Risk Assessment and an Ecological Risk Assessment were performed as part of the RFI. The FDEP Cleanup Target Levels (CTLs) are based upon human health risk criteria. Sample results

that exceed the FDEP CTLs indicate a potential concern for SWMU 22.

#### **Human Health Risk Assessment**

Preliminary risk characterization for SWMU 22 was conducted for potential exposures to soil and groundwater under current and future land-use scenarios.

<u>Soil</u>. No analytes were detected at concentrations exceeding residential screening values. Therefore, no human health risks were identified.

Groundwater Groundwater sampling results from the LTM sampling were compared to the FDEP GCTLs and the NAVSTA Mayport BSVs. Ammonia, chloride, iron, manganese, sodium, and sulfate exceeded GCTLs in 11 wells. The groundwater is hydraulically connected with tidally influenced surface waters, and chloride, sodium, and sulfate were removed as COCs. Remaining COCs in groundwater are ammonia, iron, and manganese.

#### **Ecological Assessment**

<u>Soil</u>. Exposure of terrestrial receptors to potential contamination in surface soil was not evaluated in the RFI due to the lack of habitat and industrial land use. No pathway for ecological exposure to subsurface soils was identified.

<u>Groundwater</u>. Groundwater was not determined to be a potential risk to ecological receptors.

<u>Surface Water and Sediment</u>. The screening level ecological risk assessment concluded that no adverse ecological risks exist for these media.

#### SCOPE OF CORRECTIVE ACTION

No COCs are identified in the soil at SWMU 22; therefore, No Action is proposed for the soil at SWMU 22.

Ammonia, iron, and manganese are COCs for groundwater at SWMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 22 based on concentrations that exceed the FDEP GCTLs per Chapter 62-777, Florida Administrative Code. LUCs will be required for groundwater at SWMU 22 until contaminant concentrations allow unrestricted use and unlimited exposure.

#### SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVES

An evaluation of the following corrective measure alternatives for SWMU 22 was conducted in accordance with the final RCRA Corrective Action Plan Guidance (**United States Environmental Protection Agency** [USEPA], May 31, 1994, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response [OSWER] Directive 9902.3-2A).

#### **Alternatives**

<u>Soil Alternative 1: No Action.</u> The No Action alternative addresses SWMUs that do not require remediation.

<u>Groundwater Alternative 1: No Action</u>. The No Action alternative serves as a baseline consideration or addresses SWMUs that do not require remediation.

Groundwater Alternative 2: MNA and LUCs. This alternative would impose LUCs in the form of a groundwater use/extraction prohibition, and it would also prohibit any interference with groundwater monitoring systems at the SWMU. The imposition of groundwater LUCs would serve to protect human health by prohibiting the use of groundwater until contaminant concentrations allow unrestricted use and unlimited exposure. Additionally, sampling and analysis of downgradient wells will be implemented to assess COC attenuation in groundwater. Once implemented, certain procedures would be set in place to ensure that the LUCs continue to be maintained via preparation of a SWMU-specific CMIP. This implementation plan will provide for periodic inspection and reporting requirements. MNA would consist of routine sampling of groundwater and comparison of analytical results against FDEP GCTLs. The details of the monitoring program will be presented in the CMIP; however, for cost estimating purposes, it is assumed that 11 monitoring wells will be sampled quarterly for 1 year, semiannually for years 2 through 5, and then annually thereafter until GCTLs are achieved or periodic data reviews determine alternative courses of action are necessary.

## EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSED REMEDY AND ALTERNATIVES

The identified corrective measure alternatives were evaluated using the criteria contained in the Final RCRA Corrective Action Plan Guidance (USEPA, May 31, 1994, OSWER Directive 9902.3-2A). Four criteria and five other factors were used to evaluate the corrective measure alternatives. These criteria and factors are as follows:

#### Criteria

- Protect Human Health and the Environment
- Attain Media Cleanup Standards
- Source Control
- Waste Management Standards

#### Other Factors

- Long-term Reliability and Effectiveness
- Reduction in Toxicity, Mobility, or Volume
- Short-term Effectiveness
- Implementability
- Cost

Table 1 summarizes the evaluation of the groundwater corrective measure alternatives for SWMUs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 22 as performed in the CMS Report.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

No Action is recommended for the soil at SWMU 22.

Groundwater Alternative 2 is preferred for the groundwater in the SWMU 2, 3, 4, 5, and 22 area based on the screening of technologies and assessment of various alternatives performed.

The preferred groundwater corrective measure alternative involves LUCs and MNA to address groundwater contamination. LUCs would prohibit the use of the groundwater until contaminant concentrations allow unrestricted use and unlimited exposure. Additionally, sampling and analysis of the site wells and downgradient wells will be implemented to assess COC attenuation in groundwater.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The FDEP is soliciting public review and comment on this SB for the proposed corrective action for SWMU 22 at NAVSTA Mayport. FDEP will use the comments from the public to determine the final decision and to incorporate the corrective measures into the HSWA permit. The 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 124.10(6) requires a 45-day comment period for a permit modification request made by the permittee under RCRA. The FDEP has undertaken the lead role on this request initiated by the Navy (the permittee). The comment period will begin on April 14, 2014, and will be published in the Jacksonville Daily Record.

Copies of the RFI, CMS Report, and the SB are available for public review at the Information Repository located at the Jacksonville Public Library – Beaches Branch, 600 3rd Street, Neptune Beach, Florida, 32266 [Phone (904) 241-1141].

TABLE 1. EVALUATION OF GROUNDWATER CORRECTIVE MEASURE ALTERNATIVES FOR SWMU 22

Groundwater Alternative 1: No Action	Groundwater Alternative 2: LTM and LUCs			
Protect Human Health and the Environment				
Would do nothing to effectively address contaminated groundwater or control its potential migration to off-site areas.	Would be protective of workers and would restrict the future use to industrial.			
Attain Cleanup Standards				
May attain residential standards over time, but the progress of attenuation would not be monitored.	Would attain clean-up standards for residential use over time provided LUCs are maintained.			
Source Control				
Natural attenuation may eventually eliminate the source; however, the potential progress of natural attenuation would not be monitored.	No new source control would be implemented.			
Comply with Waste Management Standards				
No standards for waste management apply as no waste would be generated.	No standards for waste management apply as no waste would be generated.			
Long-term Reliability and Effectiveness	*			
Would not provide long-term reliability and effectiveness because it would not prevent future residential development.	LUCs would provide long-term reliability and effectiveness.			
Reduction in Toxicity, Mobility, or Volume through Treatment				
Reduction of toxicity would occur through natural processes, but would not be monitored.	Reduction of toxicity would occur through natural processes, principally biodegradation.			
Short-term Effectiveness				
No short-term risks to workers, the community, or the environment.	The minimal short-term risks to workers and the environment would be manageable.			
Implementability				
Would be readily implementable since no action would occur.	Would be readily implementable.			
Cost (Net Present Worth over a 30 year period)				
No corrective action would occur; therefore, there would be no costs.	\$446,000			

Shading indicates Proposed Alternative.

A public hearing will be held if one is requested. To request a public hearing, to obtain more information about this SB, or to submit written comments, please contact Paul Malewicki or John Winters (contact information provided below).

All comments must be postmarked no later than May 30, 2014.

### FDEP

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#### CONTACT Next Steps

#### NAVY

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When the permit is modified, notice will be given to the Navy and to each person who has submitted written comments or who has requested notice of the final decision. The final permit decision shall become effective 30 days after the issuance of the notice of the decision unless a later date is specified or review is requested under 40 CFR 124.19. If no comments are received requesting a change in the draft permit, the final permit modification shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

#### **KEY WORDS**

BSV	Background Screening Value	NAVSTA	Naval Station
CFR	Code of Federal Regulation	OSWER	Office of Solid Waste and Emergency
CMIP	Corrective Measures Implementation Plan		Response
CMS	Corrective Measures Study	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
COC	Contaminant of Concern	RFI	RCRA Facility Investigation
CTL	Cleanup Target Level	SB	Statement of Basis
FDEP	Florida Department of Environmental	SVOC	Semivolatile Organic Compound
	Protection	SWMU	Solid Waste Management Unit
GCTL	Groundwater Cleanup Target Level	USEPA	United States Environmental Protection
HSWA	Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments		Agency
LTM	Long-term Monitoring	VOC	Volatile Organic Compound
LUC	Land Use Control		

#### **GLOSSARY**

**Aquifer:** An underground layer of permeable rock, sediment, or soil capable of storing and transporting water within cracks and pore spaces or between grains.

**Contaminant of Concern (COC):** A contaminant detected in environmental media at a concentration that may adversely affect human health or ecological receptors.

**Corrective Measure:** The actual construction or cleanup phase following the selection of cleanup alternatives.

**Corrective Measures Implementation Plan (CMIP):** 

A written plan normally developed after a decision document that required one or more LUCs or Engineering Controls for some particular area (operable unit, contaminated unit, and/or solid waste management unit). The CMIP (1) identifies each LUC/EC objective for that area (e.g., to restrict public access to the area for recreational use) and (2) specifies those actions required to achieve each identified objective (e.g., install/maintain a fence, post warning signs, record notice in deed records). CMIPs specify what must be done to impose and maintain the required LUCs/ECs and are therefore analogous to design and/or operation and maintenance plans developed for active remedies.

**Corrective Measures Study (CMS):** An engineering analysis and report that identifies, evaluates, and compares the most appropriate technical approaches for addressing contamination at an SWMU.

Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP): The state agency responsible for implementing Florida environmental laws.

Groundwater: Water found within an aquifer.

Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA): Amendments to RCRA, passed in 1984, which greatly expand the nature and complexity of activities covered under RCRA.

Human Health Baseline Risk Assessment: Study to determine the likelihood that a given exposure or series of exposures may have damaged or will damage human health.

**Information Repository:** A public file containing technical reports, reference documents, and other materials relevant to the SWMU cleanup.

#### **GLOSSARY**

Land Use Control (LUC): Is broadly interpreted to mean any restriction or control arising from the need to protect human health and the environment, that limits use of and/or exposure to any portion of a given property, including water resources. This term encompasses institutional controls, such as those involving real estate interests, governmental permitting, zoning, public advisories, deed notices, and other legal restrictions. The term may also include restrictions on access, whether achieved by means of engineered barriers such as a fence or concrete pad, or by human means, such as the presence of security guards. Additionally, the term may involve both affirmative measures to achieve the desired restriction (e.g., night lighting of an area) and prohibitive directives (e.g., no drilling of drinking water wells).

**No Action:** Recommendation or decision indicating no contaminants above regulatory limits.

**Permit:** A RCRA permit, issued for NAVSTA Mayport, establishes the facility's operating conditions for managing hazardous waste.

**Public Comment Period:** A legally required opportunity for the community to provide written and oral comments on a proposed environmental action.

**RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI):** Evaluates the nature and extent of the releases of hazardous waste.

Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976: Requires each hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility to manage hazardous waste in accordance with a permit issued by the USEPA or a state agency that has a hazardous waste program approved by the USEPA.

**Response to Comments Summary:** A document summarizing the public comments received and the responses to the comments.

**Risk Assessment:** A study estimating the potential risk an SWMU poses to human health and the environment.

**Soils:** Soils include surface soil, which is **s**oil from 0 to 2 feet below land surface, and subsurface soil, which is soil 2 feet below land surface and deeper.

**Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU):** Any discernible unit (to include regulated units) at which RCRA regulated waste has been placed at any time, irrespective of whether the unit was intended for the management of solid or hazardous waste.

**Statement of Basis (SB):** A public participation document detailing the proposed corrective measure at an SWMU.

United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA): The federal agency responsible for implementing United States environmental laws.

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